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BRAZIL.

Report from Bahia—Mortuary statistics.

Consul Furniss reports, July 27, as follows: During the week ended July 25, 1903, 95 bodies were interred in the Bahia cemeteries. The causes given for interment were as follows: Arterio-sclerosis, 5; beri-beri, 2; Bright's disease, 3; bronchitis, 3; diarrhea and enteritis, 14; gangrene, 2; hepatitis, 1; malarial fever, 5; nephritis, 1; organic diseases of heart, 2; peritonitis, 1; pleurisy, 2; pneumonia, 3; pulmonary tuberculosis, 8; senile debility, 6; stillborn, 10; syncope, 2; syphilis, 3; tetanus neonatorum, 2; other causes, 20.

BRITISH HONDURAS.

Report from Belize, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Carson reports as follows: Week ended August 9, 1903. Present officially estimated population, 8,500; number of deaths, 8; prevailing disease, mild type of malarial fever; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, very good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Aug. 6	David	20	0	0	0
6	Mancunis	32	0	0	0
7	Breakwater	34	0	20	0

CANADA.

Inspection of immigrants at Quebec.

Assistant Surgeon Billings reports, August 20, as follows: Week ended August 15, 1903. Number of immigrants inspected, 503; passed, 477; detained, 26.

CHINA.

Report from Hongkong—Plague and cholera—Plague declining.

Passed Assistant Surgeon McMullen reports, July 15, as follows: During the week ended July 11, 1903, 12 vessels, with an aggregate personnel of 891 crew and 271 passengers—112 cabin and 159 steerage—were inspected and given bills of health; 677 crew and 151 steerage passengers were bathed, and 857 pieces baggage disinfected. Only 33 cases of plague were reported, with 29 deaths (1 Indian and 32 Chinese). One fatal case of cholera (Chinese) was also reported. For the past two weeks plague has suddenly decreased, and it is not expected to increase this season.

COLOMBIA.

Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port—Smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows: Week ended August 11, 1903: Present officially estimated population not obtain-

able; no cases of smallpox during the week, no deaths; number of deaths from other causes, 2; prevailing diseases, smallpox and malarial fever. There seems to be very little sickness in the town. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, not good. A few cases of smallpox are reported at several of the subports in the lagoons. One case of smallpox remains under treatment in the isolation hospital in the town.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Aug. 5	Fort Morgan	23	0	0	0
5	Taunton	25	0	0	0
8	Belvernon	21	0	0	0

COSTA RICA.

Report from Limon, fruit port—Yellow fever.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gruver reports as follows: Week ended August 13, 1903. Census population, 4,000; number of cases of yellow fever, 1—deaths, 2; number of deaths from other causes, 4; prevailing diseases, yellow fever and malarial diseases. One death reported above is that of an American, Carlos Paninski, employed as conductor on the Costa Rican Railroad. He died of yellow fever in the hospital of that road on August 8. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, poor. The steamship *Venus*, reported below, remained in this harbor one week. When the temperature of crew was taken prior to giving bill of health, the mess boy was found to have a temperature of 102.6, pulse 120. The following history was given: Was taken sick on the morning of August 13 with chill, followed by severe frontal headache, slight photophobia, and pain in the muscles of the legs, arms, and neck. No pain in the back. Examination of the urine discovered a distinct cloud, which, on account of the short duration of the illness, was considered negative. However, I notified the master that I would not issue the bill of health until I had time to make a positive diagnosis. As the *Venus* had completed loading, the assistant manager of the United Fruit Company notified the master to send the patient ashore to the company's hospital. This was done, the quarters occupied were fumigated, and the bill of health was issued to the vessel, which cleared for New Orleans.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Aug. 7	Greenbrier	43	2	2	0
8	Brewster	32	0	0	0
8	Manuel Calvo	117	81	133	0
9	Spero	18	0	0	0
10	Altai	41	5	13	0
12	Buckman	36	3	0	0
13	Venus	26	0	0	0